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Lt. Governor Peter Kinder names Thomas Dannenberg of St. Charles as Senior Service Award Winner

Award recognizes volunteer work by Missouri Seniors

JEFFERSON CITY – Missouri Lt. Governor Peter Kinder today announced 35 winners of the Lieutenant Governor’s Senior Service Award, including Thomas Dannenberg of St. Charles.

Lt. Governor Kinder presented the awards today (May 8) at a luncheon for the winners and their guests outside his office in the Capitol. Dannenberg was nominated by Rep. Chrissy Sommer of St. Charles.

Dannenberg is active in scouting and volunteers many hours as an assistant scoutmaster for Troop 911 and as assistant leader for American Heritage Girls, both based out of Harvester Christian Church in St. Charles. Dannenberg serves on the troop’s Eagle Board of Review and is in charge of repairing and maintaining troop equipment. He also volunteers at the Missouri First State Capitol in St. Charles, where he recently built an outdoor blacksmith shop and schoolroom, and he is a coach for the Barnwell Middle School Robotics Teams, guiding team members in the mechanics of machinery and the skills needed in teamwork.

In her nomination, Rep. Sommer also cited Dannenberg’s many volunteer hours helping the St. Charles County Pachyderms. “Tom clearly shows an enjoyment and enthusiasm to make a positive impact in his community,” Sommer wrote.

Lt. Governor Kinder presented Dannenberg with an official declaration and a Senior Service Award lapel pin at a ceremony in the Capitol.

“Tom Dannenberg sets an example for all Missourians with his kindness and willingness to serve his community of St. Charles,” Kinder said. “His selfless service is an inspiration to all who know him.”

Kinder this year received more than 150 nominations for the Senior Service Award, naming 34 winners representing the state's 34 Senatorial Districts and one at-large winner. Coles won in District 23.